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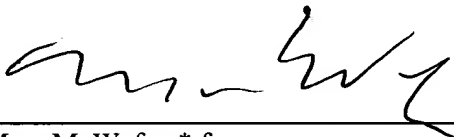
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In the Examiner's reasons for allowance, he states "the claims in the instant case rely on the polarizing beam splitter to split the beams upon departure from the output ports of the block into measurement and reference beams, these beams being orthogonally polarized with respect to one another." This is not correct. The broad claims (claims 21 and 32) only require that the measurement component and reference component have different polarizations, therefore the polarizations are not necessarily orthogonal to one another.

Respectfully submitted,

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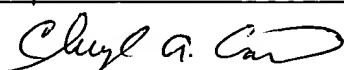
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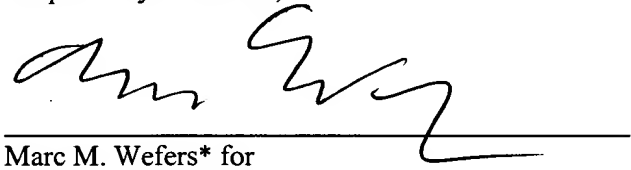
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed October 21, 2004, enclosed are a completed issue fee transmittal form PTOL-85b, transmittal of 9 sheets of formal drawings, and a check for \$1430 for the required fee, including patent copies. Also attached are Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

Please apply any additional charges or credits to our Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 09712-119001.

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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

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